



PREVIEW

from Walden

Henry David Thoreau

**Summary** For two years, Henry David Thoreau lived alone in a small cabin. He had built the cabin above Walden Pond. Seven years after he left the cabin, he used his journal to write *Walden*. In these selections, Thoreau shares his Transcendentalist vision. He believes human society has become too complex. He encourages people to simplify their lives, to slow down and do less, and to enjoy more.

Note-taking Guide

Use this table to keep track of Thoreau’s statements and the details that support or clarify them.

Thoreau’s Statement	Details
“The Holowell Farm has real attractions.”	1. far from village 2. located on river